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In re application of: William John Fosnight et al.

Entitled: EXTRACTOR/BUFFER

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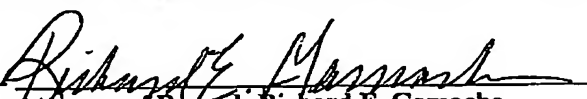
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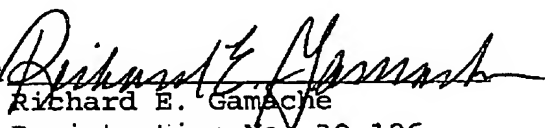
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 6, 2005,  
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

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